Applicable Practices

Core and supporting practices will be used to address water resource concerns in small watersheds with streams or water bodies considered impaired, threatened, TMDL, or critical.

One or more "core" practices will be selected and supporting practices will be used to address water quality, water quantity, and fish and wildlife resource concerns.

Core Practices

- Waste Storage Facility (313)
- Conservation Crop Rotation (328)
- Cover Crop (340)
- Critical Area Planting (342)
- Field Border (386)
- Riparian Herbaceous Cover (390) · Riparian Forest Buffer (391)
- Filter Strip (393)
- Grade Stabilization Structure (410)
- Irrigation Reservoir (436)
- Grassed Waterway (412)
- Irrigation Water Management (449) Access Control (472) Residue Management (329, 344, 345)
 Prescribed Grazing (528)
 - Drainage Water Management (554) Range Planting (550)
 - Heavy Use Protection Area (561)
 - Streambank and Shoreline Protection (580)
 - Nutrient Management (590) Tree/Shrub Establishment (612)
 - Water and Sediment Control Basin
 - Waste Transfer (634)
 - Vegetated Treatment Area (638)
 - Constructed Wetland (656)

Supporting Practices

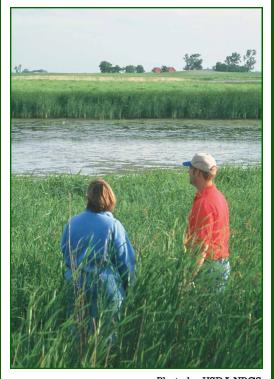
- Brush Management (314)
- Herbaceous Weed Control (315)
- Water Well Decommissioning (351) • Dike(356)
- Diversion (362)
- Roofs and Covers ((367))
- Pond (378)
- Windbreak/Shelterbelt Establishment (380)
- Fence (382)
- Irrigation Pipeline (430)
- Irrigation System, Microirrigation
- Irrigation System (442)
- Forage Harvest Management (511)

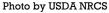
- Precision Land Forming (462) Forage & Biomass Planting (512)
- Pipeline (516)
- Range Planting (550)
- Access Road (560)
- Spring Development (574) Structure for Water Control (587)
- Integrated Pest Management (595)
- Herbaceous Wind (603) Water Facility (614)
- Pumping Plant (533)
- Water Well (642)
- Windbreak/Shelterbelt Renovation
- Wetland Restoration (657) Wetland Creation (658)

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NRCS ~ National Water Quality Initiative (NWQI): **Addressing North** Dakota's Water **Resource Concerns**







Helping People Help the Land

National Water Quality Initiative

The National Water
Quality Initiative
(NWQI) will help
producers address highpriority water resource
concerns in small
watersheds with streams
or other water bodies.
These bodies of water
must fall under one of
the following categories:



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- Impaired—A stream or water body documented to be impaired, and identified on a State's 303(d) list of impaired waters as designated by the EPA.
- Threatened—A stream or water body with water quality data documenting an impairment, but does not have the TMDL implementation plan and is not listed on the 303(d) list of impaired waters as designated by the EPA.
- Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDL)—
 A stream or water body that has been on the EPA's 303(d) list of impaired waters, but may have been removed because there is a TMDL plan for implementation.
- Critical—A stream or water body upstream of an impaired segment or area, and is known to be a contributing source of downstream impairment for a stream in one or more of the three categories listed above.

Funding and Eligible Lands

NWQI will be funded through the Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP). EQIP helps promote environmental quality by installing and maintaining conservation practices on private lands Eligible land uses include for the NWQI:

- Cropland
- Forest Land
- Grazed Forest Land
- Grazed Rangeland
- Hayland
- Pastureland
- Headquarters

To learn more about the NWQI, or to enroll, please visit your local NRCS service center. Applications are accepted on a continuous basis. Applications received by close of business on Friday, June 21, 2013, will be eligible for fiscal year 2013 funding consideration.



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Applicable Watersheds

Funding will be made available to eligible producers with lands in either the Upper and Lower Goodman Creek Watershed or the Buffalo Creek and Moon Lake Watershed.

Upper and Lower Goodman Creek



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Buffalo Creek and Moon Lake



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All programs and services are offered on a non-discriminatory basis.